Remarks

By way of the foregoing amendments, the claims have been amended so as to contain a single independent claim directed to a paper for a laminate panel. The amended claims also include claims drawn to a laminate, but these claims are depended directly or indirectly from claim 1. Accordingly, the invention of the now-pending claims is elected in response to the restriction requirement.

In view of the foregoing, favorable examination of the application is requested.

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